कराई हैं । तथापि, बर्खास्तगी के आदेश के विरुद्ध इसकी अपील प्राप्त हुई है और दिल्ली परिवहन निगम के विचाराधीन है ।

Mtshebavioor by DTC crew

1760. SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANS PORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's at tention has been drawn to the news-item appearing in Patriot dated 20th April, 1988 captioning' 'Buses that don't care'; if so, what action has been taken against the crew;

(b) whether Government are aware that several such cases happen daily; and

(c) if so, what steps are proposed to be taken by Government to make the DTC drivers and conductors behave properly?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Yes, Sir. The crew involved in the case reported in the Press has been placed under suspension and an inquiry has been instituted.

(b) Such instances have come to notice.

(c) AH such complaints received by D.T.C. are inquired into and disciplinary action is taken against the defaulting staff. In addition, Officers and staff of the Traffic Department of DTC checks the drivers and conductors at bus stands and in buses. DTC have also strengthened its machinery for dealing with complaints from the public.

Conversion of platform at Howrah Station from goods platform to the passenger platform

1761. SHRI CHATURANAN MISH-RA; Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Eastern Railway under its letter No. C-48/BS/Dev., dated 21st December, 1987 informed this Railway Board that from 28th March, 19.87 platform No. 14 at Howrah Station hitherto being used as goods platform has now been converted to a passenger platform;

(b) whether it is a fact that as per Government policy letter No. 81/TCIII/463/13/P dated 13th April, 1981, book stall at this platform, car only be awarded to educated unemp-loyed; and

(c) if so, what action is being tak en thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDTA): (a) Yes, Sir. However, subsequently Eastern Railway clarified that platform No. 14 was all along used for coaching traffic and not for goods traffic.

(to) and (c) Only a clarification was given regarding interpretation of the word platform vide Railway Board's letter No. 81/TC-III/463/13PP dated 13-4-1981. Eastern Railway has been advised to decide the case according to extant policy instructions on the subject.

Opening of Navodaya Vidyalayas la each district

1762. SHRI PARVATHANENI UP-ENDRA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have de-cided to set up one Navodaya school in each district in the country;

(b) if so, the total number *at* schools so far set up, State-wise; and

(c) the number of schools proposed to be set up during the current financial year?